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FOREWORD

THE preparation of this little book, which is intended to serve, in a modest way, as a memento of the occasion upon which the people of the Scone District celebrate the Centenary of their Hospital, has involved a deal of peering into the shadows of the past in order that an outline of the history of the Institution should be recorded therein. Looking backward very often carries a tinge of sadness with it, and it is so in this case.

The first settlement of the Scone District synchronised with the saddest period in the history of the settlement of Australia. To this period no further reference will be made beyond saying that even in that harsh time of corporal punishment and much misguided justice, there were men whose thoughts turned to the establishment of a Hospital for the relief of those in need of its ministrations.

And thus within eleven short years of the first recorded settlement of the district the Scone Hospital took shape.

THE HUNTER

It is perhaps a happy augury that the district should have derived its name from the river which was named in honour of so fine a man as Governor Hunter, who, coming to the colony in 1795, following an interregnum of three years, during which many grave abuses arose in administration. He faced a most formidable task with courage, and his administration was marked by ability and a kindly solicitude towards all sections of the people under his care. Writing to the Duke of Portland shortly after his arrival upon the subject of clothing, he said: ''Your Grace's own private feelings will suggest what I must experience from continual petitions from a people nearly naked.''

Governor Hunter did much to improve the conditions of the people during the five years he was in office, and his policy stimulated in a marked degree the tide of free immigration which flowed to the country for many years after his departure. He was the real founder of the Press of Australia, although the first ''Gazette'' did not appear until the year he left the country. He left New South Wales in September, 1800, and was made Commander of the ''Venerable,'' 74 guns. It is recorded that he lost the vessel in an attempt to save the life of one of his men who had fallen overboard in the Channel; and when questioned at the subsequent court-martial as to why he ''put the ship about'' in such a dangerous situation, replied that ''The life of a British seaman was of more value than any ship in his Majesty's Service.'' He was honourably acquitted.

Governor Bourke, who holds a splendid record achievement in the annals of early-day settlement, made the first grant of Government money to the Hospital over 100 years ago. It may be that the spirits of these two just, kindly and brave men have pervaded the Hunter Valley through the unfolding years of a century—and more. Who can tell? But this we do know: That the Valley has gone on producing a hardy, virile, and kindly race of people.

In the years following immediately upon the dawn of settlement they came and set about their tasks of subduing a wilderness, facing a desolation of solitude, and very often privation, in a spirit which took no account of failure and disregarded the hardness of the road. Each succeeding generation has produced men to take up the burdens of public duty, laid down by the gallants of an earlier day as the gathering years took toll of them; and beside them have stood their womenfolk. In the earlier times, 'tis said they worked with their men, clearing the land and establishing the homes, later making those homes beautiful. In brave array these men and women of our race have marched ahead of us, building for us a splendid heritage, leaving to us a monument of courage, of high principle and of kindliness as a beacon light. In complete confidence that the rays of that light will, in the years ahead, be followed, we dedicate this little book to **The People of Scone and the Upper District of Hunter River**

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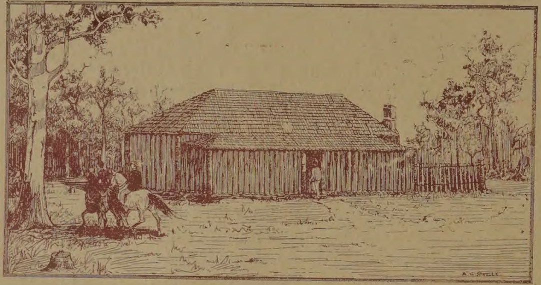

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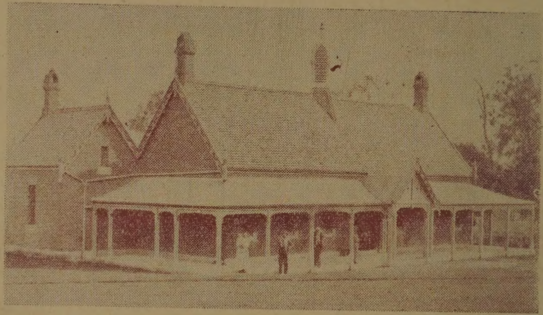

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THE EXECUTIVE, "BACK TO SCONE WEEK" COMMITTEE

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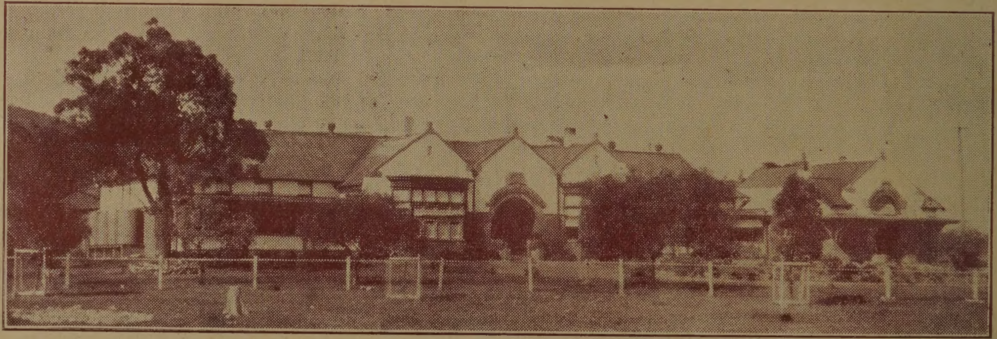

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" FROM OUT OF THE MISTS "

FIRST HOSPITAL MEETING HELD AT THE COURT HOUSE, REDBANK, ON 6th APRIL, 1833.

ACTUAL MINUTES

"At the meeting held this day, it is proposed (first), 'That Mr. Bingle, in conjunction with Mr. Little, Mr. Dumaresq, and Mr. Thompson, be requested to undertake the superintendence of the erection of the building proposed for Hospital purposes, and that they be empowered to collect subscriptions and engage with suitable mechanics to split and put up the building; and for this purpose that tenders be called for from persons willing to undertake the work according to the proposed plan, specifying the time in which they will engage to have the building finished.' Second, 'That subscribers be requested as early as possible to notify to Mr. Bingle in what way they can most conveniently furnish their quota of labor, materials, or cash, specifying the time.' "

The next record, bearing the date of 18th December, 1833, is in the form of a progress statement of accounts:

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SUBSCRIPTIONS, 27th APRIL, 1834

Mr. Geo. Bowman	£2	0	0
Colonel Dumaresq	£10	0	0
Wm. Dumaresq, Esq.	£10	0	0
Peter McIntyre, Esq. (cash)	£1	0	0
(Materials) ...... (Materials)	£2	0	0
Donald McIntyre, Esq. (battens and nails)	£4	0	0
Mr. Hall (cash)	£3	0	0
Mr. Coxen (labour)	£2	0	0
Mr. Warland (cash)	£8	0	0
Mr. Little (materials)	£3	5	0
(cash) ...... (cash)	£6	15	0
Mr. Forsyth (cash)	£2	0	0
Mr. Bingle (cash)	£10	0	0
Mr. Thompson (cash)	£5	0	0
Mr. Dangar (cash)	£5	0	0
Mr. Cox	£5	0	0
Mr. McCarthy	£3	0	0
Government Donation	£50	0	0

Touching the item ''Government Donation'' in the foregoing account, the letter from Governor Bourke in connection therewith is of interest. It also shaws that once having decided to build a Hospital, the residents must have gone to work immediately.

Government House, Parramatta, 24/5/1833

To the Subscribers of a Proposed Hospital in the District of the Upper Hunter:

''Gentlemen,—I am directed by his Excellency the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th ult. requesting a donation from this Government in aid of the erection of an Hospital for the Upper District of Hunter's River, and in reply beg leave to acquaint you that when the Magistrates of the District shall report officially to the Colonial Secretary that the building is erected and roofed in, his Excellency will direct it to be inspected, and should it be found to be substantial and suitable for the purpose intended, will order the sum of fifty pounds to be paid in aid of the Institution. His Excellency has further directed me to take this opportunity of expressing his approbation of the exertions made by the settlers in the Upper District of Hunter's River for the establishment of an Institution so much needed, and which is likely to prove so beneficial in its results.—I have the honour to be, gentlemen, your most obedient servant.——M. BOURKE, Private Secretary.''

From the foregoing it would seem that the building passed the inspection which was foreshadowed in the above letter.

The next statement of accounts in connection with the Hospital was made on 6th October, 1834. This shows that to that date the building had cost £223/9/1.

The accounts in connection with what must have been the completion of the building were published in 1836, though the Hospital had been in operation from early in 1834. In connection with this latter statement, the following names are given as subscribers, with Captain Wm. Dumaresq well at the head of the list, a position he seems to have held consistently throughout his long and active association with the Hospital.

Unfortunately many of the initials are missing from this list, which appears thus:—Colonel Dumaresq, Bowman, P. McIntyre, D. McIntyre, John Bingle, Thompson, Little, Coxen, Wm. Forsyth, Warland, H. Dangar, Cox, John Goodwin, Miller, Bell, Clark and Ranken, J. Scott, Haydon and Brodie, Bowman (Segenhoe), Ed. Uhr, J. Howe, Joseph Docker, John Morse, Darly and Christopherson.

Dr. McCartney was the first surgeon attached to the Hospital, and in a letter addressed to Captain Dumaresq, dated at Invermien on 13th May, 1836, he tendered his resignation. He was followed by Dr. Ballow, who in turn was succeeded by Dr. John Goodwin in 1838.

It is interesting to note that from 1836 it was a necessary condition in the appointment of a doctor to the Hospital that he should agree to contribute £20 per annum towards the upkeep of the Institution.

A public meeting of subscribers was held at Redbank on Wednesday, 26th March, 1845, at which the following gentlemen were present, namely: Captain Dumaresq (in the chair), Rev. John Morse, Messrs. F. Little, T. Hall, J. Docker, J. Haig, and J. Goodwin (in proxy for Mr. Henry Dangar).

It was resolved on the motion of Mr. Docker, seconded by Mr. Morse, "That, in the opinion of this meeting, it is expedient to remove the Hospital to the township of Scone,

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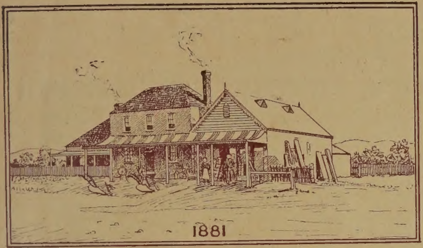
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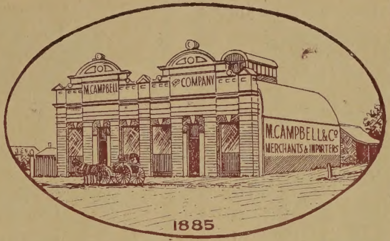

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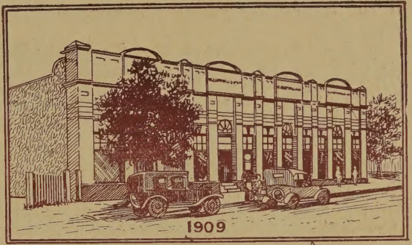
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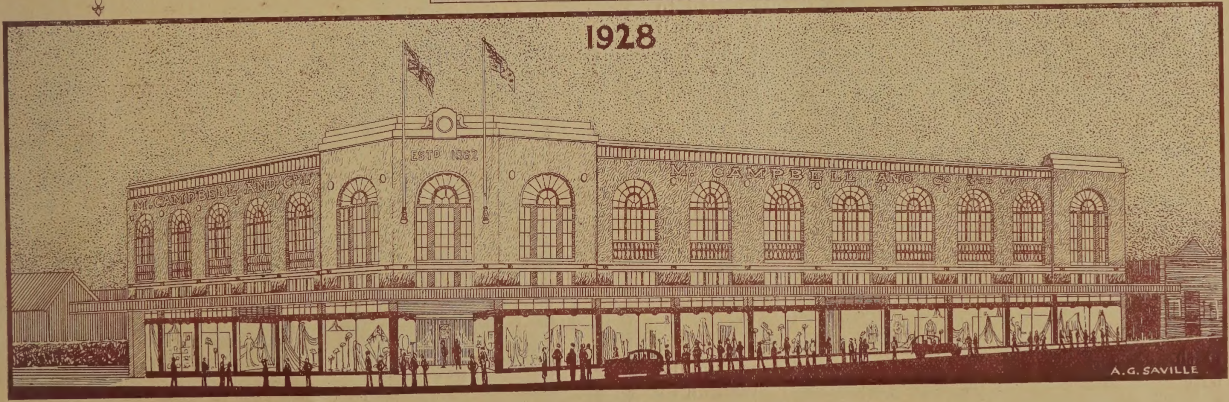
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Also at Muswellbrook, Aberdeen, Denman, Merriwa, Rouchel and Moonan if the difficulties which are apprehended to exist can be removed."

Captain Dumaresq undertook to make all enquiries, and with the closing of that meeting a chapter in the history of the Scone Hospital also closed.

The available records do not disclose the nature of the difficulties "which were apprehended to exist" in the matter of the removal of the Hospital from Redbank to the township of Scone, but the presence of what is now known as the "Old Hospital" is conclusive proof that they were not insuperable. No doubt Captain Dumaresq was largely instrumental in smoothing the way. In any case the certificate of title was issued in the names of Thomas Cook, W. E. Abbott, and J. H. Doyle, in respect to 1 acre 1 rood 30 perches of land, the gift of William Dumaresq to the Hospital. Upon this land the first building of the old Hospital was erected. (The certificate of title was issued in 1872). The building was erected in the year in question by Mr. Fred. Asser, a brother of Mr. N. F. Asser, pioneer townsman. It is interesting to note that the matter of the title was lost sight of until a question arose about 1911 of selling some of the Hospital lands. It then became necessary to make a search for it, which task was entrusted to Messrs. FitzGerald and McIntyre, solicitors, of Muswellbrook. After a most exhaustive search, including all the likely solicitors' offices in Sydney, the document turned out to be in Scone all the time.

In view of the recent death of the Hon. R. G. D. FitzGerald, a letter from him to the late Mr. J. H. Doyle is of interest. He says in connection with the search:—"I am only writing to say that of course we have no charge against you in the matter; we willingly render the service to the Institution."

"We willingly render service to the Institution." True in the case of the late Mr. FitzGerald, and true equally with many others of his day and generation. We find in a search of the records the same names appearing one year

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following another, "rendering a willing service to the Institution," with a devotion to its interests—and through it to the interests of their fellow-men—which is deserving of warmest admiration and our deepest gratitude.

Captain W. A. Dumaresq, as will be seen from this sketch of the Hospital, played a great part in its destines from the first meeting at Redbank until he saw it established upon its own land at Scone—his gift to it. When he at length laid aside the cares of the Presidency, he was succeeded by the late Mr. Thomas Cook, who held the position over a very long span of years, and also rendered signal service.

Another who rendered yeoman service in the days that are gone was Mr. J. J. Dodd, who acted for many years as hon. Treasurer. Mr. E. Solomons held the position of hon. Secretary for many years; a position from which death eventually removed him, and his son took up his work. In addition to the three above-mentioned, the Executive of the Hospital comprised, in 1886:—Rev. A. C. Thomas, Messrs. J. W. Hopper, R. Baker, Rev. P. Norman, T. Barnes, and N. F. Asser. Dr. F. C. Stevenson was the medical officer. A year or so later came Messrs. J. H. Doyle, W. F. Parker, and W. B. Pulling. Dr. H. J. H. Scott's name appeared as medical officer to the Institution in 1890, and the name of Mr. J. A. K. Shaw on the Committee the same year. In 1891 it was decided to build additions in the form of a wardsman's cottage, and in order to provide room for it and a carriage drive, it was resolved that Mr. W. F. Parker should interview Mr. W. Bakewell and try to arrange to purchase from him a triangular piece of land between the Hospital and the railway line.

At a meeting held on 13th July, 1891, Mr. Parker reported to the Committee that he had interviewed Mr. W. Bakewell, who had most generously made a gift of the land to the Hospital. The cottage was soon afterwards completed. Upon its being finished, Mr. H. L. White forwarded a number of grape vine cuttings, and also rooted vines to plant in the grounds of the Institution. In the

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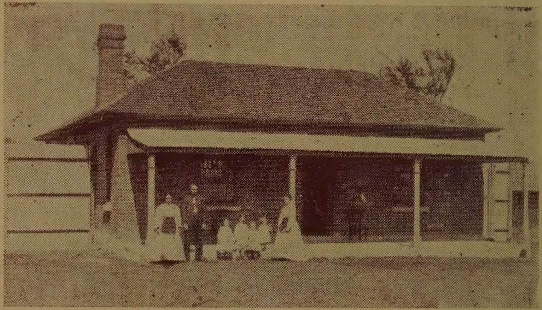
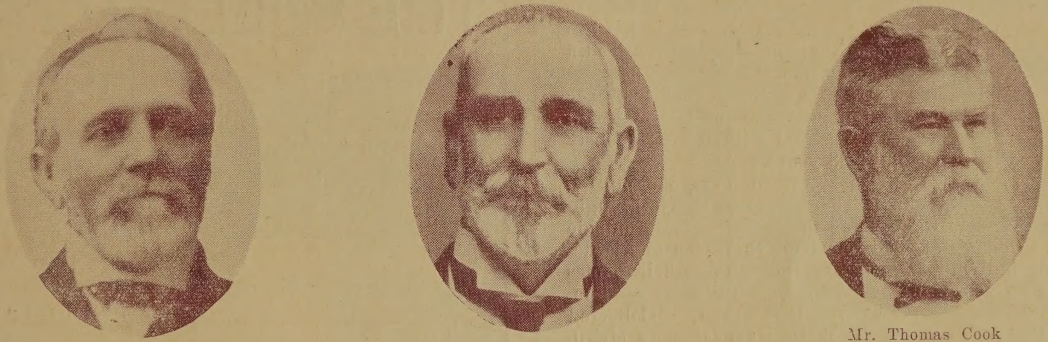


The old Lock-up and Gaol in 1872



Mr. J. D. Stafford Mr. J. H. Doyle Mr. Thomas Cook

Mr. E. J. Sherwood Dr. H. J. H. Scott Mr. Arthur Smith

STALWARTS OF THE HOSPITAL

(Of the sextette, Mr. Sherwood alone survives, and with the exception of Dr. Scott, all have filled the Presidential chair) same year the Committee recorded a vote of thanks to Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Cook for having worked so hard in the organisation of a concert that the Hospital received a cheque for £60 as a result of same.

On 12th August, 1895, Mr. Arthur Smith took his place for the first time upon the Committee of the Hospital, and he was thereafter closely associated with it continuously until his death—a period of 38 years.

Thus the good work went forward, everyone pulling their weight in the team. There were so many throughout the years that worked for the Hospital from outside the actual Committee, and one feels that each one is deserving of individual mention, and that their names should be recorded; but it cannot be. Taken at random, one example for one year only—1899—thus: "Collected by Mrs. Carter, Stewarts Brook"; "collected by Mr. J. Friedman, Wingen"; "collected by Mr. T. Goodman, Dartbrook"; "collected by Miss Cameron, Rouchel"; "collected by G. F. Cobb, Ellerston"; J. Neilen, Rouchel; K. Cameron, Rouchel; Mrs. Mitchell, Moonan; H. Wilson, S. Watts, A. Harman, J. Campbell, Jas. Wharton, S. Challis, T. J. Flanagan, C. Statham, R. H. E. Upton.

And in this way the work went on, year following year, in which the same tale of devotion to the needs of the Hospital was told.

The records contain the names of willing workers and subscribers in every part of the district; the lists of names published being so voluminous that one gathers the impression that the entire population must surely have been enrolled as subscribers to the Institution.

In 1910 Dr. H. J. H. Scott died, and the report of that year contains this resolution, passed by the Committee:

> "This Committee, at its first meeting after the death of the late Dr. H. J. H. Scott, hereby place on record its sense of the loss it has sustained by the death of its Medical Officer. For twenty years the duties of this office were conducted by the deceased gentleman with conspicuous skill and devotion. His constant thought during

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The above is a facsimile of the Committee's Appreciation, in the form of a Presentation, made to the Hon. Secretary (Mr. Stan. G. Keene) in 1933 for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Association, of which the recipient was also made a Life Member

Since its inception two years ago, the Association, which has conducted two Carnivals only, has raised £830/10/4, which was distributed as follows:—Scott Memorial Hospital, £408/14/5; Upper Hunter District Ambulance, £182/12/8; Reserve Fund, £233/3/6 the lengthy period seemed to be how he could best minister to the relief of the patients committed to his care, and render the Institution most efficient for attaining the humanitarian objects for which it exists. To his unremitting attention to everything pertaining to the best interests of the Institution, in a large measure is due its present creditable equipment, and the good work which has been accomplished in the past.''

On 20th January, 1911, the Mayor of Scone, Mr. J. D. Stafford, received the following letter:—

''Dear Sir,—We, the undersigned residents of Scone and District, respectfully request that you will call a public meeting at an early date with a view to raising a suitable Public Memorial to the late Dr. H. J. H. Scott.''

Thomas Cook, Frank M. Osborne, James Tulloch, A. A. McDonald, Noah Newling, James H. Doyle, Fred. A. Parbury, W. T. Seaward, N. Ebsworth, Frank A. Cadell, F. S. Bowden, A. Smith, D. A. R. Campbell, W. Weber, Jack Davies, R. T. Hall, C. T. Long, W. E. White, George M. Finlay, Henry L. White, A. W. Podmore, Philip Norman, Arthur G. White, Edwin C. Lukey, James Campbell, C. L. Curnow, I. Fleming Campbell, James Dennewald, G. M. Westgarth, G. C. Brown, C. Brooks, H. T. D. Snape, W. H. Duckham, A. E. Berman, A. L. Davies.

Further, ''in response to the above request, I have much pleasure in calling a public meeting in the Oddfellows' Hall, for Tuesday, 14th February, at 11 a.m.—J. D. STAFFORD (Mayor).''

And from the files of ''The Scone Advocate'' of 14/2/'31, thus:—''Proposed Memorial to late Dr. Scott. Magnificent response. Site offered by Mr. Cook. Upwards of £1200 collected in room.''

The first formal resolution that a suitable Memorial should be built was moved by the late Mr. J. H. Doyle, who had the late Rev. P. Norman as his seconder. The late Mr. J. A. K. Shaw moved that the form of the Mem-

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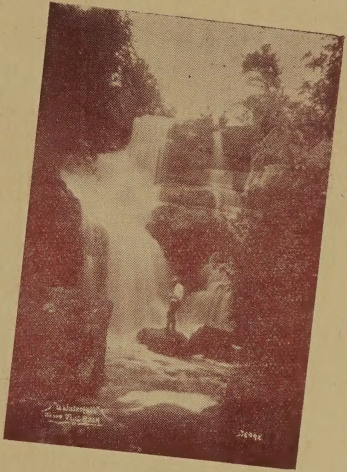


''Flat Rock'' and Waterfalls, Scone. Bottom Left: ''Parson's'' Gully in Flood.

orial should be a new Hospital, and his seconder was Mr. W. T. Seaward. A third resolution that a subscription list be opened, was moved by the late Mr. H. L. White, and seconded by the late Mr. Wm. Cameron, M.L.A.

In this manner the third of Scone's Hospital buildings was started, 78 years after the original meeting was called at Invermien to erect the first.

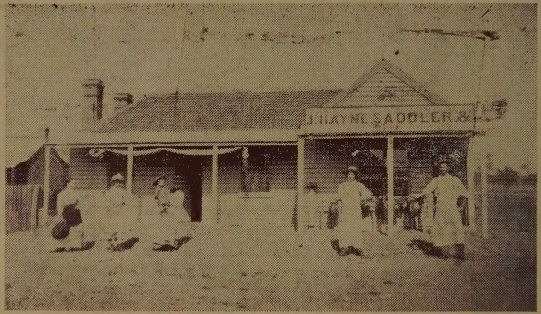
On 30th January, 1911, Dr. Chas. H. Scott signed his first report as Medical Officer in succession to his illustrious brother, and, as sportsman, townsman, medical officer, and gentleman, has kept the memory of that brother fragrant and green. Together they have placed the name of Scott high upon the roll of honoured citizens.

DEATH OF MR. THOMAS COOK

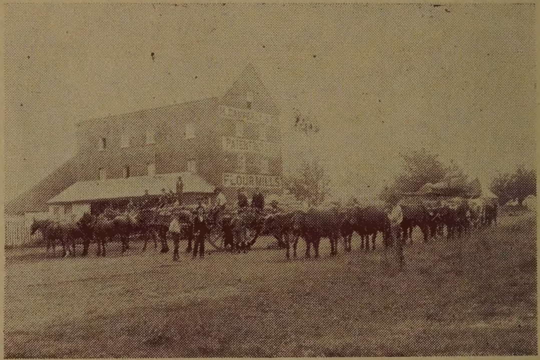
In July, 1912, Mr. Thomas Cook died. He had been closely identified with the Hospital since its establishment in Scone, a term of over 40 years, for the last 20 years of which he had been President.

In placing a record of his services upon the books of the Institution, special stress was laid upon the unfailing generosity shown by Mr. Cook towards the Hospital. It is recorded that he furnished several of the wards with up-to-date furniture, and from time to time made other donations of furniture. It was his custom for years to provide a Christmas dinner for the staff and the patients, in addition to his annual subscription, which was always substantial. He offered a very valuable site for the building of the Scott Memorial Scone Hospital, a gift that the committee was unable to accept for the reason that another friend of the Institution, Mr. W. Bakewell, had offered a site which was considered to be more suitable in some respects. In his will he bequeathed £500 to the Hospital.

At a meeting of the committee held on 7th August, 1912, Mr. James H. Doyle was appointed to the position of President of the Hospital in succession to Mr. Cook; and Mr. J. D. Stafford was appointed vice-President in succession to Mr. Doyle. It is recorded that Mr. Doyle had taken an



Jas. Hayne's Saddler's Shop in the '80's.



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This year marked the closing scenes in the home of Scone's second Hospital. The Scott Memorial Hospital was nearing completion, and the stage was being set for the removal of the Institution to new surroundings. The Hospital ball of that year showed a nett return of £166/6/9, which was a record at the time.

Mr. Doyle retired from the position of President at the close of 1912, and Mr. J. D. Stafford succeeded him in 1913, having Mr. J. A. K. Shaw and Mr. Arthur Smith as vice-Presidents. Mr. Doyle acted as President of the Scott Memorial Hospital Committee in addition to carrying out the work of the Hospital during this time; Rev. Philip Norman relieving at some of the meetings. Mr. J. D. Stafford was the Secretary of the Committee, and these three gentlemen did an immense amount of the preliminary work in connection with the establishment of the Scott Memorial Hospital.

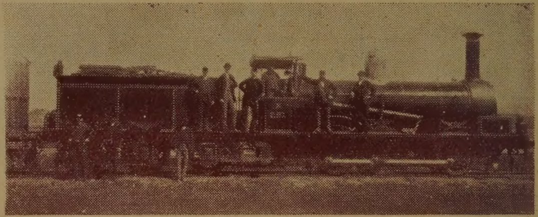
THE SCOTT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

The Scott Memorial Hospital was opened on 2nd July, 1913, by the Hon. F. Flowers, M.L.C. Miss Mary Scott unveiled the Memorial Tablet to her father in the presence of a very large gathering of the public of the town and district.

The actual occupation of the Hospital did not take place until 3rd November, 1913. Patients admitted for treatment during the year which marked the change from the old to the new Hospital numbered 171, and, with 17 carried over, a total of 188.

Through the tragic years of the Great War, Mr. J. D. Stafford guided the destinies of the Institution from the President's chair. With him were the men who had worked so earnestly and faithfully for so many years. Behind them were the people of the town and district who saw to it that the financial needs of the Hospital were safeguarded. Of this the long lists of subscribers, which are retained as records, bear mute but ample testimony. The added financial burdens imposed upon the people by war were not allowed to lessen the aid which the Hospital called for in its work of tending the injured and the sick of the district.

In April, 1920, the Committee sustained a heavy loss in the death of Mr. J. A. K. Shaw, who had been an active



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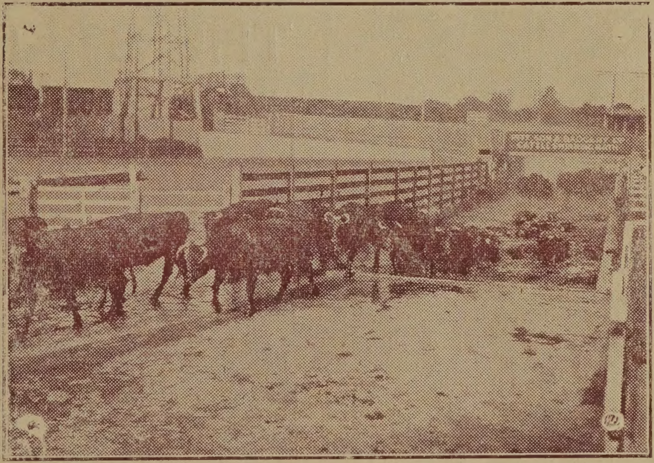

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and able member of it for more than 30 years. A little more than a year later he was followed by that splendid citizen, Mr. J. H. Doyle, who died quite suddenly at his home, Invermien, and for whose family the whole district mourned.

In this same year, also, Mr. J. D. Stafford was overtaken by illness, and was unable to carry out his Presidential duties for some time. In 1922 he died,, and the sorrow expressed by the Committee, over which he had ably presided for so many years, was re-echoed from all parts of the district and from every quarter of the town. The community had lost a great man and a good man.

He was succeeded as President by Mr. Arthur Smith, who had served with him for nearly a quarter of a century, with a loyalty which no words of praise can adequately portray. The Rev. Canon Cadell, who had served the Hospital with unswerving devotion for many years, was elected to the position of vice-President.

Another fine record of untiring and efficient work during this part of the Hospital's history, is that of Mr. J. G. Asser, who carried out the duties of honorary Treasurer for practically ten years continuously. A worthy representative of his father, who did yeoman service in the earlier times. He was followed in this position by the late Mr. A. J. Dodd, who, in assuming office, was also taking up the work that his father had done many years before him.

At the beginning of 1926, Mr. Smith was succeeded by Mr. E. J. Sherwood, as President of the Hospital, but retained his seat upon the Committee and continued his work for it until his death last year, completing a term of 38 years of continuous service.

During his tenancy of the office of President, Mr. Sherwood has fully maintained the high traditions of the men who have gone before him, and has therein gained the respect and the gratitude of a wide territory. The opening of the Arthur Smith Memorial Buildings marks yet another step forward in the evolution of a fine Institution. The inclusion of the name of Joseph David Stafford upon the Memorial Tablets is one that is welcomed and approved by the entire community. It is fitting and appropriate that the Memorials of these two fine citizens, who worked for so many years together in complete harmony and singleness of purpose, should be unveiled on the same day—a day which also marks the passing of 100 years in the life of the Hospital.

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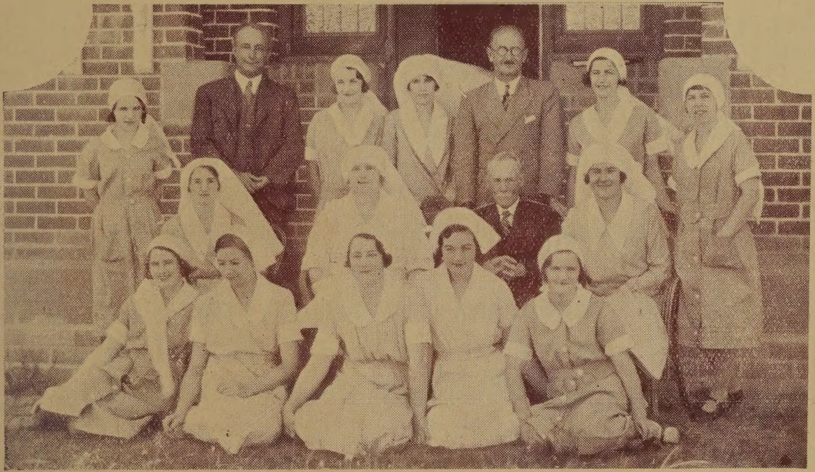


S.M. HOSPITAL NURSING AND MEDICAL STAFFS, 1933

Back Row (left to right): Nurse Brae-Hall, Dr. O. Barton, Nurse I. Jennison, Sister L. Hall, Dr. H. K. Grieve, Nurse E. A. Hunter, Nurse M. A. Loss

Second Row: Sister Boardman, Matron O. Lowrey, Dr. C. H. Scott, Sister G. Relf.

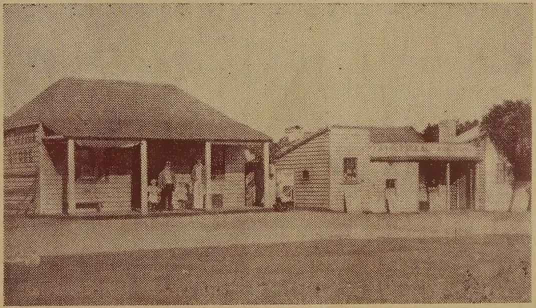
Front Row: Nurses I. Graham-Hunter, A. Danks, G. Cumming, M. Dodd, Stanley-Hall.

(Dr. Scott is a brother of the late Dr. H. J. H. Scott, senior Medical Officer, and oldest practising graduate of the Melbourne University)

The existing buildings, erected at a cost of more than £14,000, of which amount public-spirited well-wishers contributed at least 75 per cent., accommodate upwards of 600 patients per annum.

In 1920 a Children's Ward was added as a Memorial to the men of the district who fell in the Great War. Known as the Anzac Ward, the construction cost was £2500. It was furnished throughout on modern lines by the late Mr. H. L. White, one of the district's greatest benefactors, whose name was fittingly perpetuated when X-ray quarters and apparatus materialised as an important adjunct to the buildings.

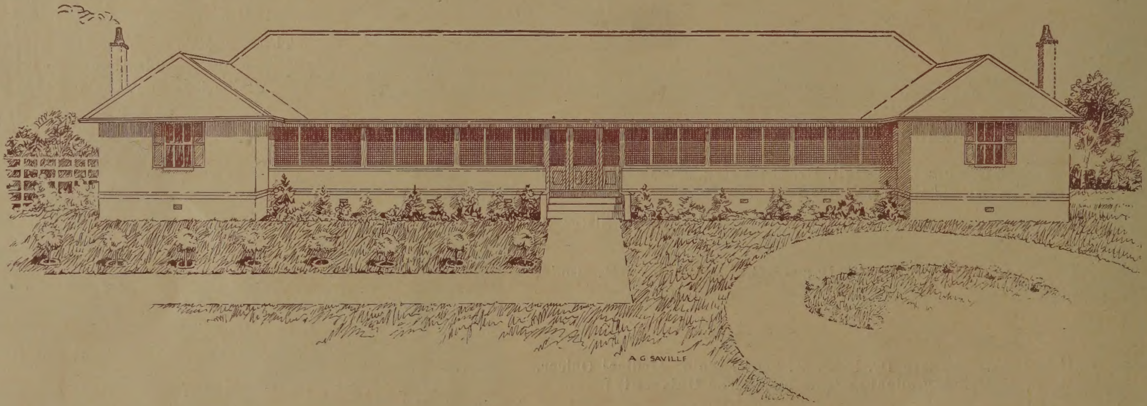
These additions were again very largely made possible thanks to generous contributions made by the public.



Isaac's Store and Scone Post Office, Guernsey-street, 1872.

At the present juncture, Nurses' Quarters, in keeping with the architecture of the scheme generally and the need for increased accommodation and better facilities for the staff, are nearing completion. These extensive additions, together with a replete hot-water service, and other comprehensive alterations, and the re-placement of the now inefficient electric lighting system—the new scheme will include shadowless lighting in the operating theatre—will involve a cost in the aggregate of £6776, of which the Directorate have been asked to find £2000, the balance being made available in the form of a loan and grant in equal amounts of £2388. The hot-water system will fittingly serve as a Memorial to Joseph David Stafford and Mrs. Stafford.

The members of the 1934 Directorate are:—Messrs. E. J. Sherwood (Chairman), Mrs. O. French, Rev. Canon F. A. Cadell, Rev. H. H. Childs, Messrs. A. S. Barwick, D. A. Fowler, T. H. Fleming, D. Cameron, F. Bowe, and A. F. Smith. Matron, Miss O. Lowrey. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. McDonald. Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Miller.



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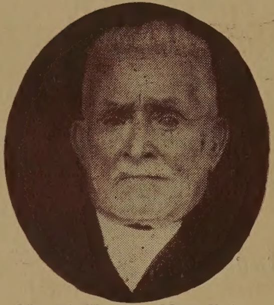
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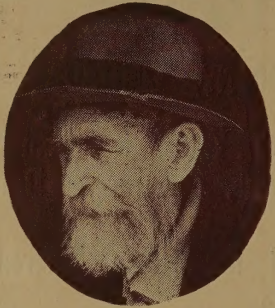
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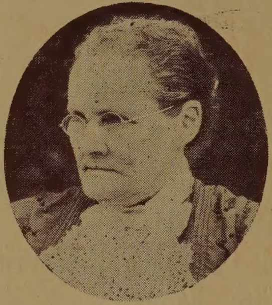
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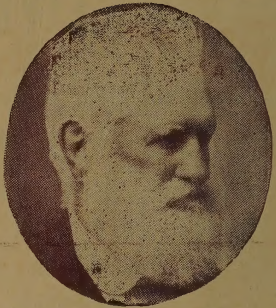
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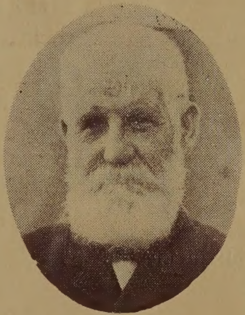
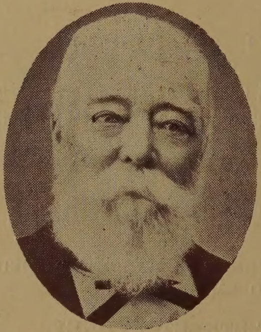

Mr. Alexander Johnston, old resident and family head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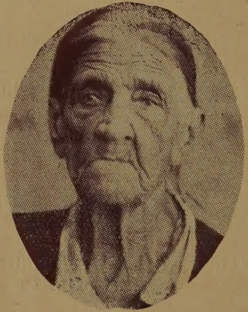
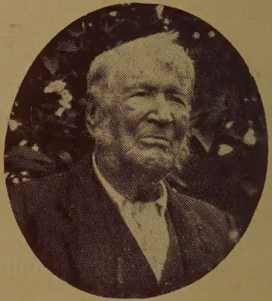

The late Mrs. J. Starr (1841-1933)


The late Jas. Fuller, of Dry Creek, district's only centenarian (1826-1926)

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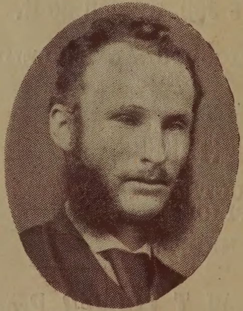
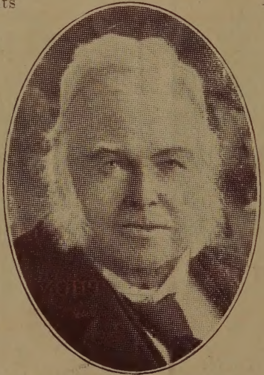


Mr. J. J. Dodd, early townsman



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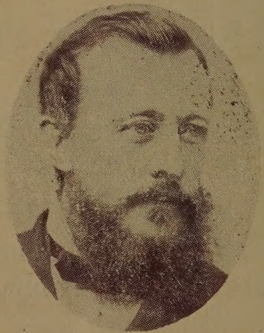

Mr. J. T. Wiltshire, Police Magistrate and townsman, 1879

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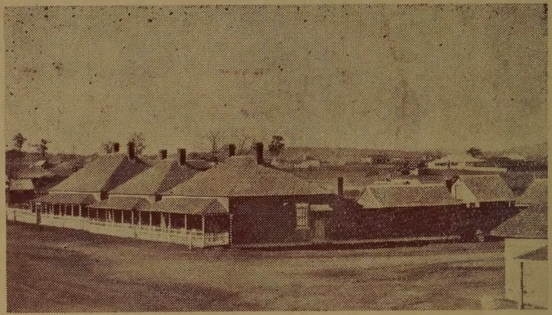
SATUR CENTENARY, SUNDAY NEXT.

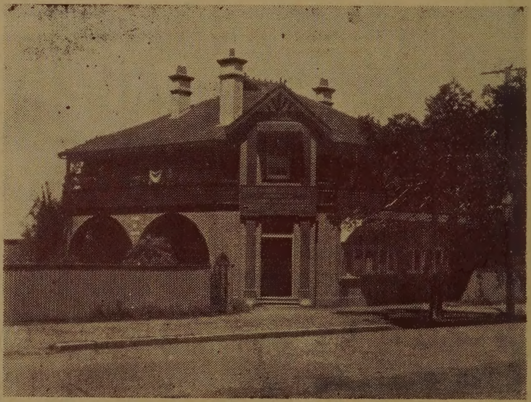
HISTORIC FACTS RELATING TO FIRST SETTLEMENT.

(Reprinted from "The Scone Advocate," 28th April 1922)

Sunday next will mark the Centenary of Satur, and as far as official data guide us, practically the whole of the Upper Hunter itself will have passed its hundredth milestone on that day. Exhaustive searchings have been carried out with a view to allow of the actual discovery of this portion of the then young and sparsely-settled Colony being definitely fixed, but unfortunately without avail. That the district should not have associated with it the name of so great and intrepid an explorer as Surveyor-General John Oxley, and so share the distinction bestowed upon several Western, and even Northern, centres, ill-luck alone prevented. On his second inland expedition in 1818, Oxley narrowly missed this rich Valley of the Hunter, which he skirted on the western side, and finding a passage through the Liverpool Range, discovered the Peel River. To this day, the highest pinnacle, Oxley's Peak, in the locality where he forged his way through the Range, owes its name to the great explorer. Although within two years, on St. Patrick's Day (March 17, 1820), the party, headed by Howe, Loder, and Singleton, reached Patrick's Plains, some 50 or 60 miles to the south, nothing further is recorded having any bearing on the upper reaches of the Hunter River, until Assistant Surveyor-Henry Dangar, who remained in the Colony from 1822 to 1827, made a voyage along the stream, and explored much of the country. What actually transpired between 1820 and 1822 to allow of our visualising so far back with a degree of certainty, facts are lacking. Maybe, the Assistant Surveyor-General mentioned feasted his eyes



Bank of N.S.W., Dr. Creed's surgery, Mr. Garrett's (Police Magistrate) residence in the early '70's. (Note vacant land, with Crown and Anchor Hotel in distance, from Liverpool-street.



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upon these parts, but be that so or otherwise, the arrival of Dr. William Bell Carlyle, R.N., a ship's surgeon, in the Colony in 1820, and his taking up a grant of about 2000 acres, on 30th April, 1822, in the vicinity of Kingdon Ponds, at least signalised the dawn of colonisation hereabouts. It is here interesting to note, and it is a phase that hitherto has escaped our notice, that the little stream mentioned had derived its name at so early a date. By whom and when, and how it derived its name would doubltless open up a fresh chapter in the district's history, and may even lead to the much-sought-after enlightenment in respect to the venturesome spirit who first planted his feet in the locality. Then again, we have it from a most authoritative source that Dr. Carlyle, shortly after his arrival, proceeded to take up his grant, and it is possible, and even probable, that he was here personally prior to 1822; but as our probing into the mists of the dim and distant past only tends to unearth fresh problems to solve, and also leads to further confusion, for the purpose of this article, our pivot, or commencing point, must stand on the ringing out of the last day of April, 1822.

In taking over his grant, Dr. Carlyle set up his headquarters on what must have been its southern-most point, and erected his lonely home on the elevated ground where to-day stands the fine residence erected by Mr. G. K. Clift, but since acquired by Sir Rupert Clarke.

Despite what has been said to the contrary, we have been able to authenticate a statement made in these columns some time since, and surrounding which there appeared much doubt at the time, that the property from the very outset was known as "Satur."

Unlike most of the original grantees, this surgeon of the Royal Navy apparently did not add to his grant, and old hands still on deck tell of how once the Middlebrook (Creek) was crossed, the whole of the country was known as "Satur." The flat on the eastern side of the residence served as a family garden and orchard, and the tall and spreading fig trees alone stand to remind the present

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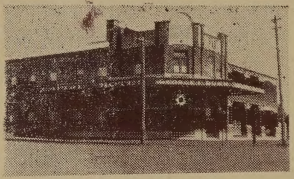

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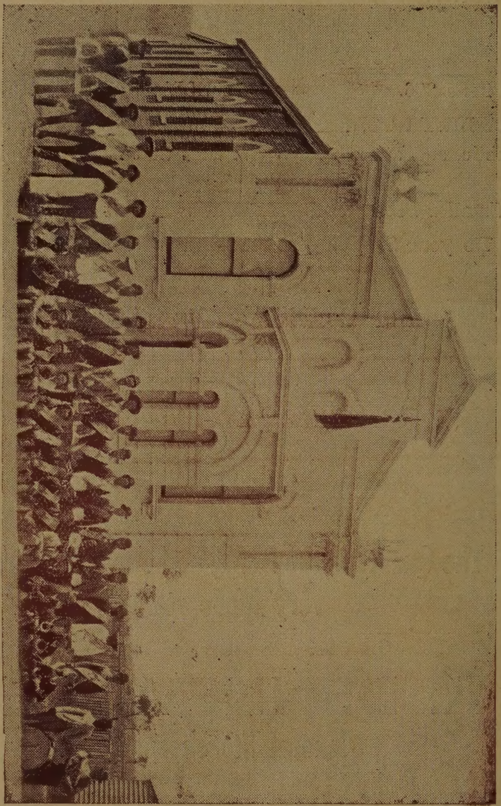
generation of the century-old place, and to recall, as it were, Goldsmith's oft-quoted lines: "Where once a garden smiled."

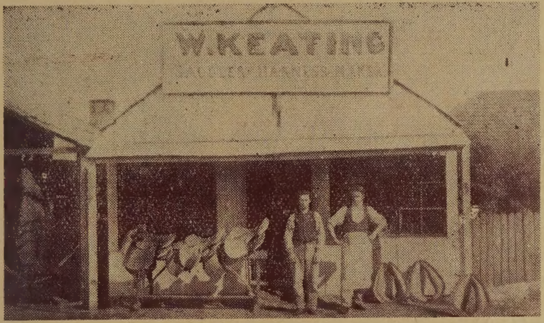
One thing claimed for Dr. Carlyle was the introduction by him to the district of the now accursed prickly pear, and there is no doubt that the origin of the same and more extensive growth in Queensland can be traced to our District, having been taken and transplanted up North by Patrick Leslie, said to have been "Queensland's first squatter," in one of his journeys through.

Nephews of Dr. Carlyle, in Messrs. Francis and Archibald Little, took up their abode at "Invermien" during the year following (1823), and it was at the last-mentioned place that the first village, or settlement, was established, and where, incidentally, was constituted the Bench of Magistrates for the whole district, as far as the Range to the north, and Merton (then known as "Twickenham Downs") to the south. In the two succeeding years, settlement spread apace, and contemporaries in acquiring grants were such well-known family heads as the Halls, the Macintyres, William Dangar, Captain Dumaresq, William Forsyth, William Buchanan; and ere the 'thirties, the Bells and other families. With Captain Dumaresq and Francis Little, Dr. Carlyle comprised the personnel of the first trio of Magistrates, who took a prominent part in administering justice in the land. Francis Little became associated with Dr. Carlyle (his uncle) in the early 'twenties, and shortly afterwards Archibald Little went into residence at "Cressfield." It was about this time that an unprecedented spread of English money in the Colony sent the price of sheep soaring from 4/- to £4/10/ per head, and cattle from 30/- to £10. Dr. Carlyle had done so well that he was able to make a couple of trips to the Old Country, and in later years removed to Port Macquarie, where he died, and where there is erected a tablet to his memory.

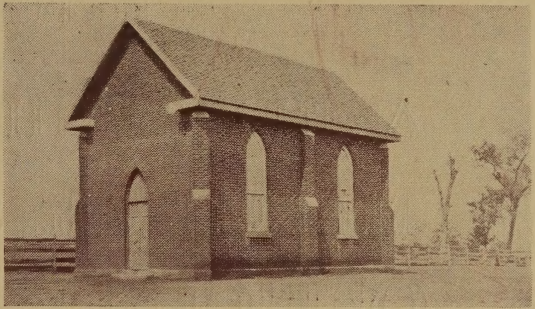
Francis Little, just prior to 1840, acquired the whole of the interests in "Satur," and with his brother became the owner of practically the whole of the land in close



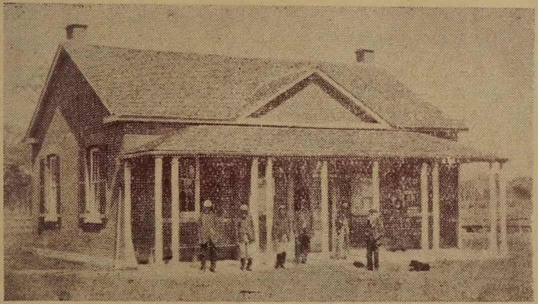
OPENING OF M.U. HALL, SCONE, 1889



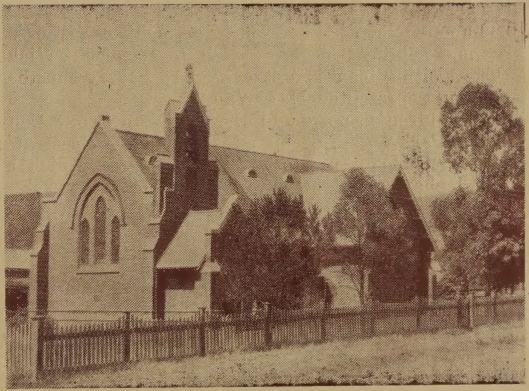
W. Keating's Saddler's Shop, 1870.



Presbyterian Church, 1873



Scone Court House in 1871.



Presbyterian Church to-day

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11 a.m.—All-day Cricket Match, Association Wicket, The visiting team is a strong one; every member having represented N.S. Wales.

2 p.m.—Children's Sports and Carnival, in Scone Central Park. Special engagement of Beecroft's Swinging Boats, and other novelties, on which a small charge will be made.

7.30 p.m.—Venetian Carnival and Confetti Battle.

8 p.m.—Pictures at the Olympia Theatre.

THURSDAY, 8th MARCH:

10.30 a.m.—Screening of Scone Views, Olympia Theatre

2 p.m.—Matron's Fete and Baby Show.

3.20 p.m.—Sir Philip Game, G.B.E., K.C.B., D.S.O., arrives in Scone. Inspects Guard of Honour. Reception by Mayor. Leaves for Hospital.

3.45 p.m.—Afternoon Tea.

4.30 p.m.—Unveiling of Arthur Smith Memorial Tablet. Unveiling of Tablet to the Memory of J. D. Stafford and Mrs. Stafford.

5.5 p.m.—Visits Scouts' Hall and Unveils Tablet.

8 p.m.—Grand Concert of Sydney Artists, headed by Mr. Raymond Beatty, at Olympia Theatre. Sir Philip and Lady Game arrive at 9 p.m.

FRIDAY, 9th MARCH:

9 a.m.—Bushmen's Carnival and Show.

10.30 a.m.—His Excellency and Lady Game will visit "Kia-Ora" Stud and Segenhoe House.

2 p.m.—Sir Philip Game officially opens Bushmen's Carnival.

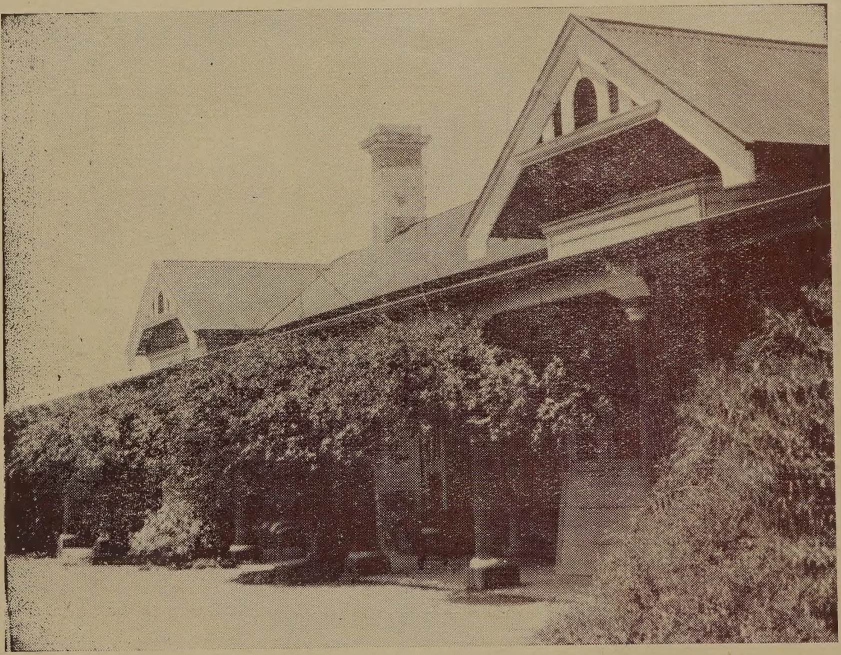
4 p.m.—Red Cross will Entertain Lady Game at Afternoon Tea. Returned Soldiers' and Sailors' League Entertain Sir Philip Game.

8 p.m.—Carnival Ball, under Vice-Regal patronage

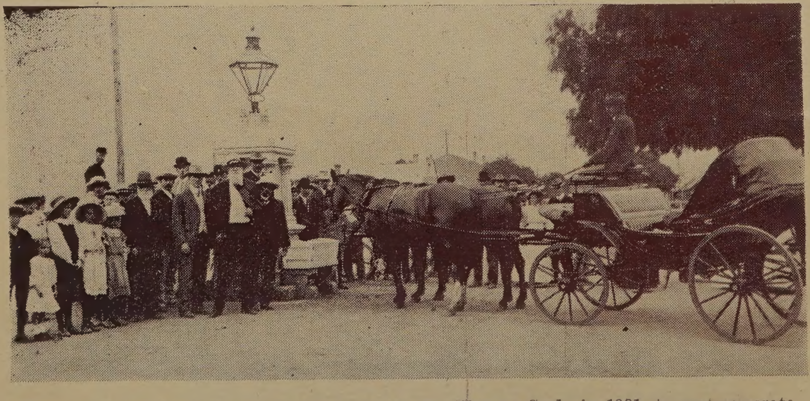
SATURDAY, 10th MARCH:

9 a.m.—Bushmen's Carnival

7.30 p.m.—Venetian Carnival and Confetti Battle.



''Invermien'' To-day



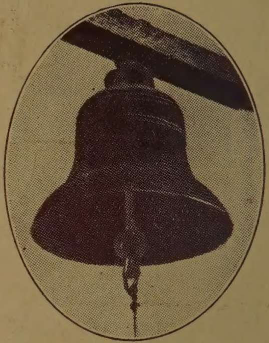
Fountain being handed over to the town by Mr. Thomas Cook, in 1901, to commemorate Federation. The benefactor is the tall figure in the foreground.

proximity to and along the Kingdon Ponds and Middlebrook from Invermien to and just beyond Parkville. It was Francis Little who, according to Mr. Charles Sutton, who was for many years associated with the family, and is still in the flesh despite his having attained the great age of 85 years, discovered the Liverpool Plains in the 'twenties of last century, and for which was made an additional grant of land. The discovery, however, was regarded as premature for the purposes of settlement by Governor Darling, who issued a proclamation in which he had drawn a line of demarcation extending along the Ranges. It was about this time that Messrs. Forsyth and Miller came into the picture. Foreseeing great possibilities in selling wheat to new land-seekers in the direction of the Plains, they cultivated as much land as was possible with their primitive implements, but were disappointed in their venture with the issue of the Darling proclamation, because of the continued hostility of the blacks.

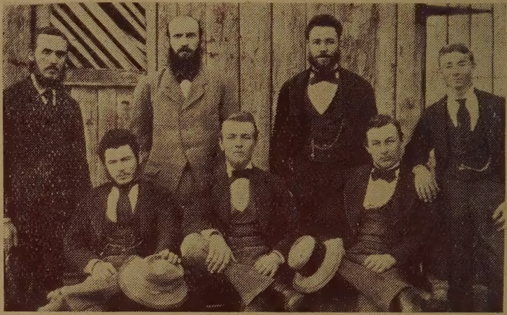
William Forsyth died, and was buried on the old "Cliffdale" Estate, and the stone, marking his place of interment, is to be seen by users of the Great Northern Highway, in the shade of the peppers near the big lagoon.

To get back to "Satur," the old homestead, with the taking over by the Little family, was partly demolished in later years, and for a great length of time was utilised as a shearing shed, the frame of which is vividly remembered by quite a number of old Sconeites. Francis Little retained his interest in the property, but resided at "Invermien" up to 1860, on the 14th June in which year he passed away at the age of 62 years, and his remains were placed in the family vault in the old Scone Church of England Cemetery, on the right-hand side as one enters the gates. His son, William, who then came into possession, remained there for a number of years, and passing away in 1882, at the age of 49 years, was laid to rest in the same vault.

The coming and the taking over of the Parbury Bros. (Charles and Frederick) in the late 'seventies, the former setting up a new home on the right-hand side of the Scone-Bunnan road, which he named after the original grant, the latter remaining on at "Invermien," which was later on again acquired by the late Mr. J. H. Doyle, one of the grand old men of the Upper Hunter. It is stated that many of the early grantees in this, as in other parts of the State, became involved in the Queen Caroline trouble, in England, in the early 'twenties of last century, and being deemed undesirable, politically, were given grants of land overseas, and left their country for, from the viewpoints of the "top dogs" of those times, their country's good.



Bell from Historic Segenhoe, 110 years old. Now used at Scone Fire Station



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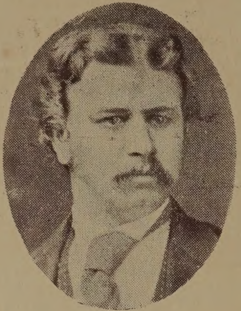
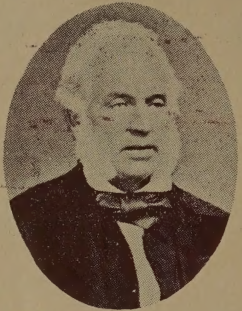


Dr. J. L. Creed, M.L.A., an early Medico.



Dr. John Goodwin, M.O. at ''Redbank'' in the early 30's

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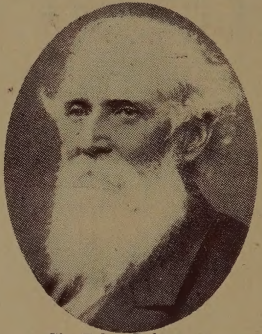

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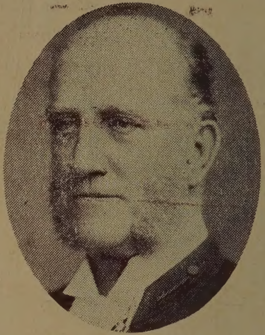

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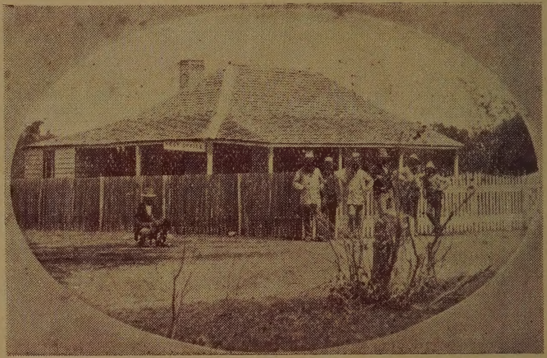
"SCOONE" OR SCONE?

PROCLAMATION OF TOWN IN '37.

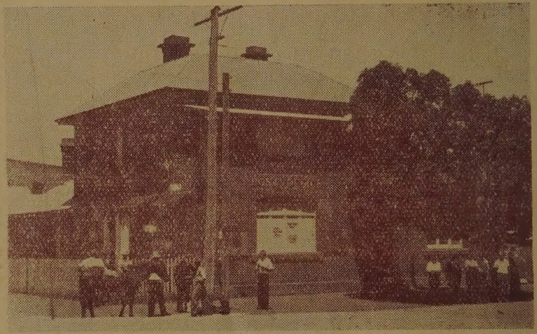
The following interesting excerpts from Major T. L. Mitchell's diary, relating to that famous explorer's trip through the Hunter River Valley in 1831 are worth reproducing:—

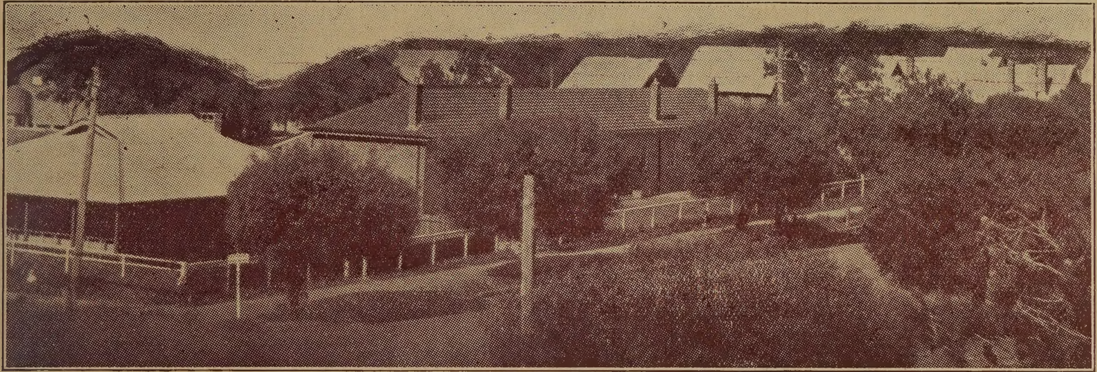
December 1.—Segenhoe, the extensive estate of Potter Macqueen, Esq., was not far distant, and Mr. Sempill, the agent, called at my tent and afforded me some aid in completing my arrangements. I was anxious to obtain the assistance of an aboriginal guide, but the natives had almost disappeared from the Valley of the Hunter.

December 2.—The party moved off at seven, and passing, soon after, near the farm of an old man whom I had assisted some years before in the selection of his farm. The old man was very deaf, but in spite of age and this infirmity, his sharp blue eyes expressed the enduring vigor of his mind. . . He immediately gave grain to our horses, and placed before us new milk; and what we found a still greater luxury, pure water from a running burnie close by; also a bottle of "the mountain dew," which, he said, was from a still "na far off." When I was about to mount my horse he enquired if I could spare five minutes more, when he put into my hands a long memorial addressed to the Government, which he had taken from among the leaves of a very old folio volume of Pitscottie's "History of Scotland." This memorial prayer, that whereas Scoone was in the Valley of Strathearne, and that the pillow of Jacob which had been kept there as the coronation stone of the Kings of Scotland, was fated still to be where their dominion extended, and that as this valley of the Kingdon Ponds had not received a general name, that it might be called Strathearne, etc., etc.



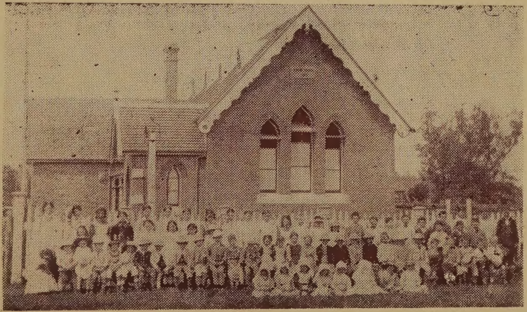
THE POST OFFICE, 60 YEARS AGO AND TO-DAY





Scone D.R. School Block, 1933. Main Buildings partly obscured by trees.

Mr. Frank Bowe
Organising Secretary, "Back to Scone Week" Executive



Scone Public School and Pupils in the '80's

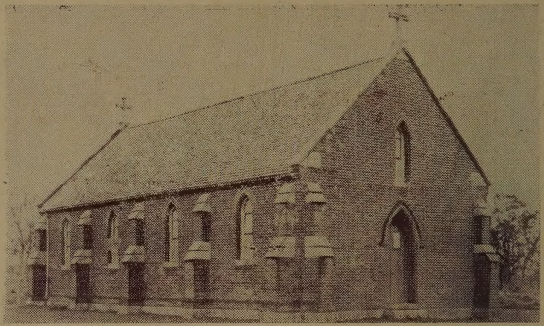
Mrs. ("Granny") W. Sutton, nonagenarian resident, for whom it is claimed introduced the prickly pear to this State in the 'thirties of last century

The following letter was received at this office from the Under-Secretary for Lands on 14th April, 1921:—

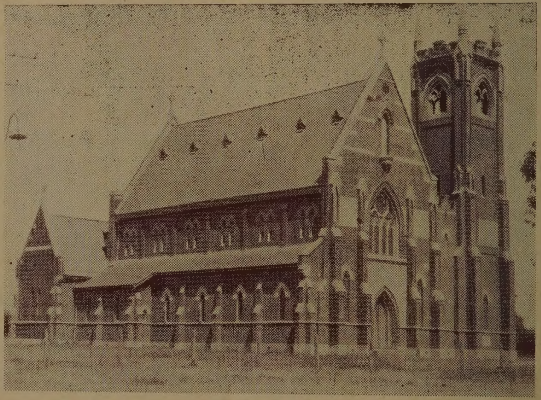
"Village of Scone: Referring to your letter of 6th April, 1921, asking for information regarding the proclamation of the village of Scone, I have to inform you that originally the locality of Scone, which was the meeting place of the Bench of Magistrates, was known as 'Invermien.' In 1886, the Surveyor-General received a memorial from the residents of the Upper Hunter praying that a township, referred to in correspondence as 'Scoone,' be laid out in allotments for Scone. Survey having been carried out, the Surveyor-General submitted a design under the heading, 'Village of Invermien, in the Parish of Scoone,' which received the approval of the Governor and the Executive Council in August, 1837; but was finally notified as the 'Township of Scone' in 'Government Gazette' of 6th September, 1837. The Surveyor-General, on representing that the 'Gazette' notification was inconsistent with the Governor's approval, was informed by the Colonial Secretary on 30th June, 1838, that the village having been formally notified as 'Scone,' that name only was to be used in future. The Departmental plan was accordingly altered, and now reads, 'Plan of Village of Scone, in the Parish of Scone, County of Brisbane.'—Yours, etc., **J. T. Keating,** Under-Secretary."

THE FIRST HOSPITAL BUILDING

Of the original building, a plan of which is drawn by Mr. A. G. Saville, from details supplied by Mr. William Young, now in his 92nd year, our informant, who frequently saw the structure in his youthful days, comments that when first erected it was a humble one-roomed building, with skillion roof, the timber being hewn nearby. It was of anything but palatial, but served its purpose. Some years later, two more rooms were added by enclos-



OLD ST. MARY'S R.C. CHURCH.



Same Church to-day, which is a Monument to the untiring work and devotion of Rev. Father Kilgallin. The tower is a Memorial to the late Rev. Father McGrath (1885-1919)

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ing the eastern and western verandahs. Serious cases, according to Mr. Young, were often transferred to the Maitland Hospital, and more often than not the conveyance pressed into service for the long trip to the Lower Hunter was a dray drawn by bullocks.

(For much of the information pertaining to the original building, the compiler is greatly indebted to Mr. W. M. Little, a descendant of Mr. Francis Little, the original grantee of "Invermien").

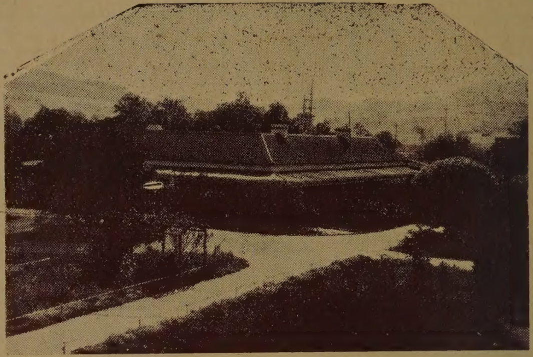
SEGENHOE AND CLIFFDALE

These historic properties are illustrated in the Souvenir. Segenhoe was the grant of Thomas Potter Macqueen, on whose behalf it was taken up in 1823, and two years later he was made an additional grant of 10,000 acres. On the main Maitland-Crawney-road, it was in the late 'twenties, the "jumping-off" point of such well-known explorers as the Mitchell, Cunningham, and the ill-fated Kennedy exploration expeditions. Segenhoe, like Invermien, was one of the most widely-known settlements in the pristine days of colonisation of the colony. Of Cliffdale, such names as William Forsyth and Solomon Wiseman will always be indelibly associated with it.

These century-old homes still stand; in the case of Cliffdale, as it was originally built.

A RICH DISTRICT

According to no less an authority than the late Mr. B. Haydon, of "Bloomfield," Blandford, the district embraced by the Upper Hunter Pastures Protection Board, with



Segenhoe Homestead

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Of the Upper Hunter P.P. Board, it has every reason to feel proud of the fact that its reserves are probably unsurpassed in the State. Directors are:—Messrs. S. Payne (Chairman), T. H. Fleming, W. H. Brayshaw, A. A. McDonald, D. McPhee, W. C. Carter, F. B. Haydon, and H. Garside. Stock Inspector, Mr. C. Brooks. Rabbit Inspector, Mr. M. D. Mychael. Secretary, Mr. W. McDonald.

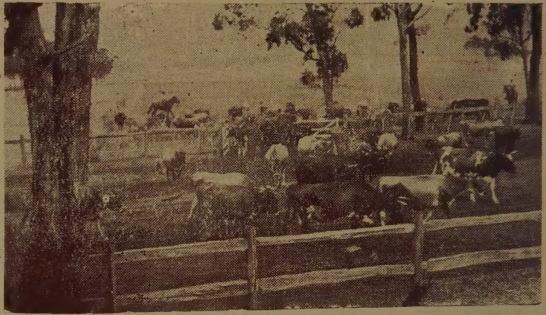
From this area, which carries on an average 700,000 sheep, 65,000 cattle, and 6481 horses, some 18,000 bales of wool are despatched annually, returning to the growers approximately £500,000 per annum.

The district and southern fat stock markets also draw very largely upon the fine herds and flocks of the district, the potentialities and possibilities of which are now so widely known. The area has aptly and often been referred to as "The Garden District of the State."

With such studs as "Kiaora," Segenhoe," "Yarraman Park," "Sledmere" and "Kingsfield" functioning, it is not surprising to learn that studmasters have had returned to them upwards of £100,000 per annum for their realisations at the sales, and in other directions.

Dairying has likewise developed apace, and in keeping with the march of progress, many farms have been electrified. It might here be mentioned that there are no less than 46 miles of mains in the Scone district only, with 770 users of electric light and power.

In and about Scone last year, 365 tons of butter were manufactured, while at Aberdeen the output was 580 tons. It should be explained that the territory drawn upon by the two concerns overlap to no small extent. Therefore it is safe to venture that the output by Scone and district dairymen for the year just closed was approximately 500 tons.



Placid Scenes at "Redbank" to-day.

Trees mirrored in the pond at "Cliffdale," with the "Stone Woman of Wingen" in the background.

Sheep crossing the Page River between Scone and Gundy

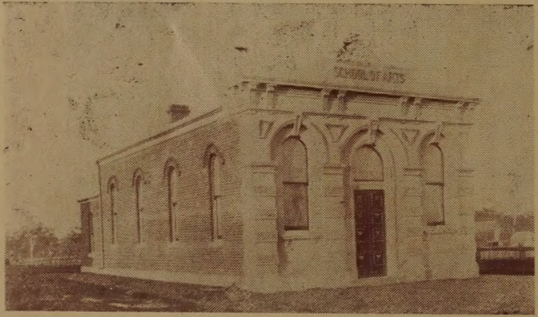
THE SCHOOL OF ARTS

Before the present Soldiers' Memorial School of Arts (1914-18) was erected, the Committee were housed in premises in Kingdon-street, which were erected in 1888. Hitherto the now demolished premises, known as "Dangar's," or "Cohen's Store," at the turn-off to the Gundy-road, served the purpose for very many years.

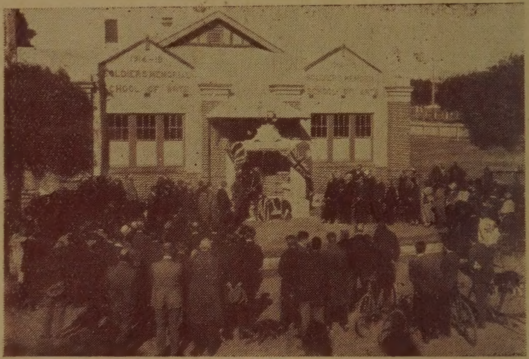
The Institution to-day, with its replete Library, Recreation and Billiards Room (3 tables), carries no financial embarrassment. Assets represent £2650.

It is worth recording that Mr. E. J. Sherwood and the late Mr. Arthur Smith each served on the Executive for upwards of 40 years.

Present Officers:—President, Mr. E. J. Sherwood; vice-Presidents, Messrs. A. T. Baker and A. F. Smith; hon. Secretary, Mr. J. W. Joughin; hon. Treasurer, Mr. W. J. Moxham. Hon. Auditor, Mr. E. C. Brent. Committee, Messrs. P. Richards, A. Dennewald, J. G. Asser, B. G. Millard, G. C. Brown, T. Frost, D. J. McLachlan, G. N. Lochhead, A. G. Saville.



The School of Arts in 1888



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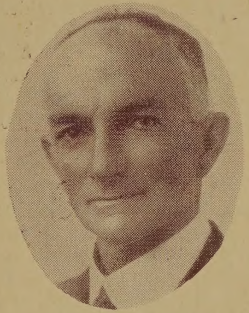
This useful district Institution had its beginning in 1927, and became an accomplished fact, with its modern conveyance on the road, in 1928. Since then, its record of achievement has been an excellent one.

Mr. W. T. Seaward, the Chairman of the Committee and a District President of the New South Wales Ambulance Transport Service, has been the moving spirit, as also was the same gentleman very largely instrumental in the materialisation of the important road deviations of the Page River when he was Secretary of the Gundy Progress Association. The district also owes much to Mr. Seaward for his many other willing activities, including that of Secretary of the Scone Parents and Citizens' Association, and his undivided interest in the Boy Scouts' movement, of which he is also one of the mainstays.

Officers:—President, Mr. W. T. Seaward; vice-Presidents, Messrs. E. A. Dobson and P. Richards; Superintendent-Secretary, Mr. P. Marks; hon. Treasurer, Mr. G. A. Cumberland; hon. Auditor, Mr. W. J. Moxham; Committee, Messrs. E. J. Sherwood, W. Young, L. W. Davies, P. Richards, Alb. Collison, A. M. McMullin, A. A. McDonald, W. F. Caban, W. Farram.

OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Other active and equally useful bodies in the district include a branch of the R.S. and S.I.L. of Australia, the Red Cross Society, and the Country Women's Association. Then there are the Manchester Unity, Grand United, and Hibernian Lodges, which likewise function with no small measure of success.



Mr. W. T. Seaward, Chairman
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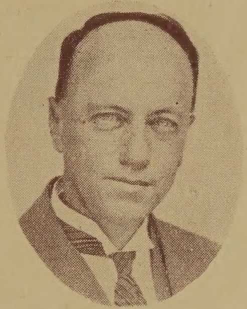

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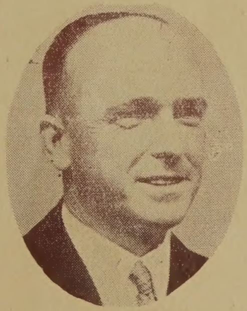

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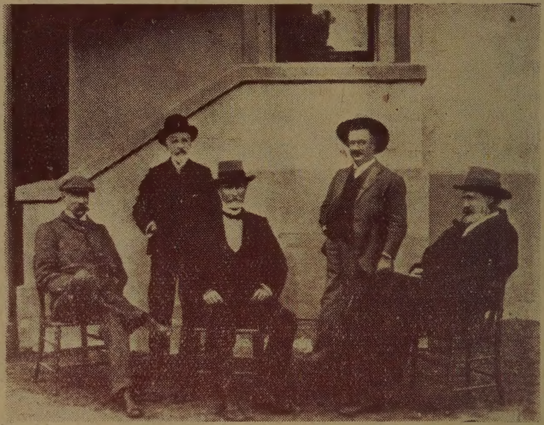
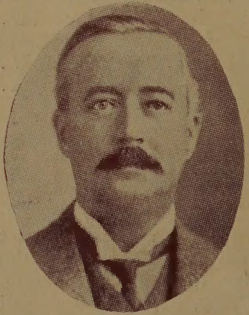


Standing (left to right): Crs. E. G. Eagar, H. L. White. Seated: Crs. F. A. Parbury, L. E. Wiseman, W. E. Abbott Of the quintette, Mr. Eagar alone survives. Cr. White filled the seat of President with distinction for an unbroken period of 21 years, during which many works of an important character, including the Upper Hunter Dry Road, materialised.

Since the inception of Local Government in 1906, the Upper Hunter Shire Council has functioned with such a measure of success that its fine record probably has no equal in the State. But two Presidents, the late Cr. H. L. White and Cr. A. A. McDonald, have held office, and evidence of their business acumen and wide vision is to be had in every quarter of the district. During the intervening 27 years, the policy of the leaders has been to consolidate any work undertaken, to make it part and parcel of a general scheme, as it were.

The Upper Hunter dry road, which now extends up the river as far as "Glenmore," about 37 miles from Scone, furnishes an illustration of the policy laid down by the powers that be. Up to the present, the amount expended upon the eight bridges and four deviations that give the ratepayers such easy and quick access to the State Highway and railhead, have cost the tidy sum of £59,503, towards which the interested ratepayers themselves contributed no less than £33,954, which includes a straight-out donation of £6000 from Messrs. H., E., A., and V. White, which firm constructed, at their own cost, the "White" Bridge, near Belltrees. The balance, running into £25,549, was found by the Government, by way of grants.

On the Rouchel-Davis Creek end of the Shire, approximately £9000 was provided by the Government for the two big bridges towards the eastern end of the road. The ratepayers concerned, however, allowed themselves to be



The late Mr. H. L. White, one of the district's greatest benefactors

Cr. A. A. McDonald, President U.H. Shire Council levied in the same public-spirited manner as did their friends of the Hunter watershed, and provided the sum of £2700.

The progress has not by any means been confined to the eastern side of the area, in so far as the bridging of The Cuan Creek was a step in the right direction; but the more important development on the same side is the continuation of the Upper Dartbrook-Bunnan road, the linking up of which may be looked for in the not too distant future, thereby conferring a great boon on the ratepayers, to many of whom travel has been most difficult over the unmade route during rainy periods.

Thanks to appreciable assistance from the Main Roads Board, the State Highway through the area also has undergone great improvement. The recent straightening of the "elbow" in the thoroughfare near "Abbotsford" has provided a work of paramount importance, bringing about as it has the entire elimination of one of the most dangerous places on the road, speaking generally. This was achieved at a cost of approximately £600, and now the old timber culverts in the same locality, numbering four, are to be replaced at a cost of some £2000. And it is quite on the cards that these northern works will be followed by an undertaking in the same direction of an even more comprehensive character, notably the big deviation which aims at cutting out the two railway level crossings slightly on the Scone side of Wingen.

It will be seen that much useful work has been accomplished in the district since the Council had its genesis in 1906, and the policy of not doing things by half measures, early adopted, has been adhered to right up to the close of 1933.

The above record of solid achievement in the field has been whole-heartedly seconded by the members of the Council's fine staff, and over no short term of years by Messrs. B. G. Millard (Engineer) and W. J. Moxham (Clerk).

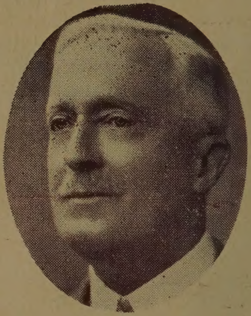
It is in this connection that it is well worth recording that up to the close of 1933, the aggregate amount levied by the Council runs into the large sum of £262,993, all of which, with the exception of £21/11/3 has been duly accounted for. Surely another record upon which the Council and staff, past and present, are to be warmly congratulated.

UPPER HUNTER SHIRE COUNCIL, 1934

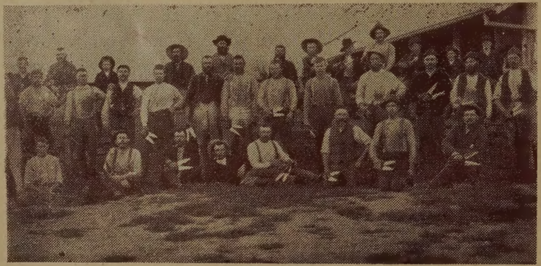
Standing: A. F. Smith (Press), B. G. Millard (Engineer), Miss M. Dodd (Assistant Clerk), Cr. Wm. Allan, W. J. Moxham (Clerk).

Sitting: Crs. S. C. Collison, J. P. Abbott, A. A. McDonald (President), J. Riley, M. S. Kennedy.

Mr. A. H. White, Patron of Bushmen's Carnival and Show Association, and his home at Belltrees

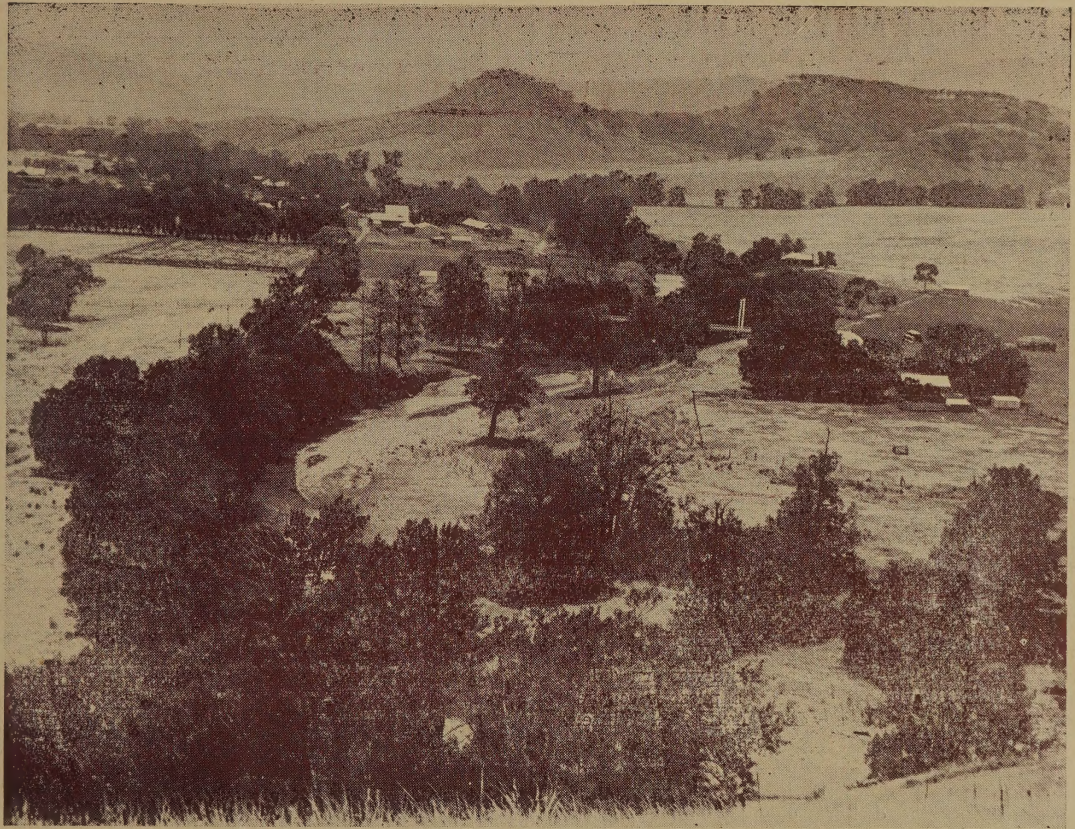


Mr. Arthur G. White, well-known benefactor.



Shearing time at Belltrees 50 years ago, when the Station put through 120,000 sheep.

Black Polls at Belltrees



General View of Belltrees, in all its picturesqueness, looking south-east

THE MUNICIPALITY OF SCONE

Scone was not incorporated as a Municipality until 1888, despite the fact that the town was proclaimed as far back as 1837—97 years ago—to be exact, on the 6th of September, 1837.

From a very humble beginning 46 years ago, its growth at the outset was tardy; but during the past decade appreciable progress has been made, and the solid character of the town is reflected in the many fine business and residential structures that have taken shape in the years of the economic stress.

In 1928, for instance, new buildings took shape costing upwards of £70,000. That this progress was not to be regarded in a spasmodic light, proof is to be had in the fact that the programme continued. Even last year, new buildings were erected at a cost of upwards of £20,000.

The town has never looked back in more recent years, and the installation of an up-to-date electric lighting system in 1920, followed by the innovation of the greatest boon of all, in the shape of an excellent town water supply in 1930, at a cost of £22,066, provided two long-felt services.

The business premises of the town compare more than favourably with most areas of the size of Scone, which is also generously provided with park lands. In this latter respect, mention must be made of White Park, a magnificent area of 94 acres on the south-western side, and valued at £2500, which was made a present to the town thanks to the munificence of Mr. Arthur G. White, one of the district's greatest benefactors.

The Scone Saleyards are laid out on modern lines, and wherein large numbers of stock, in keeping with the pastoral wealth of the district, change hands almost weekly throughout the year. Here is one of the busiest centres of the North, and certainly one of the best markets in the State.

FIRST MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, 1888

Standing: Ald. Jas. Hayne, J. Bromhead, B. Aurisch.
Seated: Ald. E. Solomons, F. C. Stevenson (Mayor), J. J. Dodd

It is worth recording that the first balance-sheet presented by the Council on 11th March, 1889, revealed that the amount collected in rates was £90/15/6, and after meeting disbursements, a credit balance of £26/10/8 was carried forward. The statement was audited by J. D. Stafford and W. B. Pulling. In the following year (1889), the revenue had swollen to £216/1/7, while the expenditure grew to £140/16/6. The salary paid to the Town Clerk was £30 per annum.

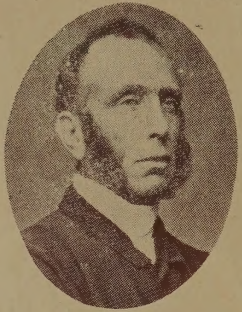
The revenue of the Council last year (1933) was £5800, this being exclusive of certain undertakings administered by the Council.

OCCUPANTS OF THE MAYORAL CHAIR

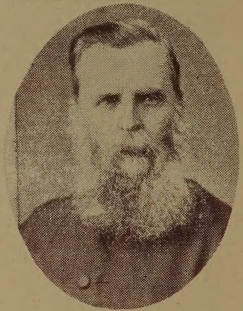
Dr. F. C. Stevenson	1888—1890
J. J. Dodd	90—1893
Dr. H. J. H. Scott	93—1897
J. A. K. Shaw	97—1898
Edward Solomons	98—1899
Dr. H. J. H. Scott	99—1900
J. A. K. Shaw	1900—1903
W. F. Parker	3—1909
Norman Ebsworth	9—1909
J. D. Stafford	9—1914
E. J. Sherwood	14—1920
A. J. Dodd	20—1923
N. Andrews	23—1924
B. G. Millard	24—1926
C. J. Surman	26—1927
B. G. Millard	28—1930
J. W. Joughin	1930—1934

SCONE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, 1933
Back: Ald. C. J. Surman, W. J. O'Brien, O. Barton.
Front: P. Fincher, J. W. Joughin (Mayor), J. Young (Town Clerk). Absent: Ald. B. G. Millard.

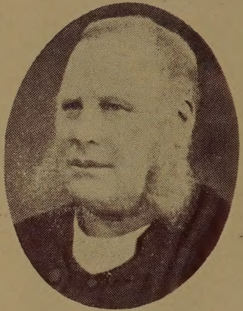
General View of the famous ‘‘Kia-ora’’ Stud.



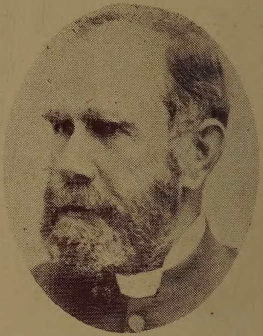
Rev. Coles Childs, who succeeded Rev. John Morse to the incumbency of St. Luke's Church



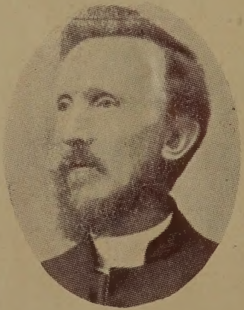
Rev. John Ayling, one of the first Ministers of the Presbyterian Church



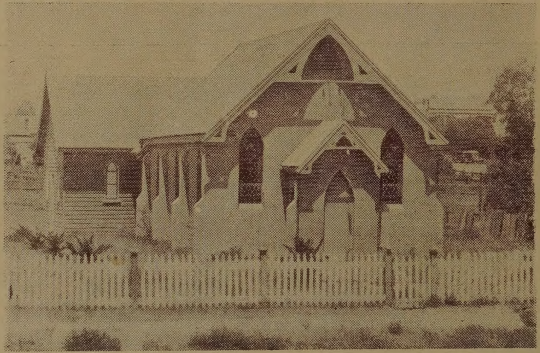
Archdeacon Shaw, still affectionately remembered by many of his generation



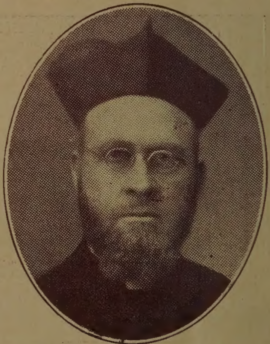
Rev. A. C. Thomas, of St. Luke's Church of England.



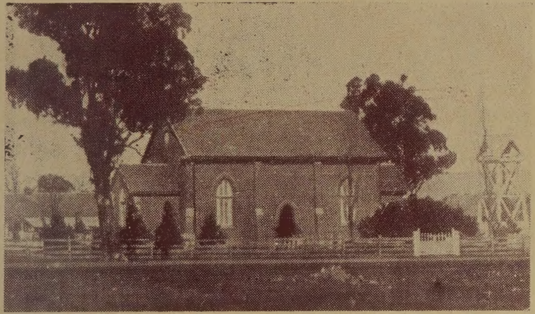
The late Rev. Philip Norman, a pillar of Presbyterianism



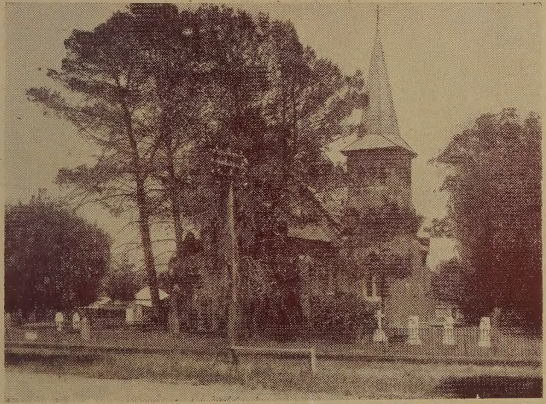
The Methodist Church and School Hall



The late Rev. Ed. McGrath



Early view of St. Luke's Church of England



St. Luke's Church of England to-day

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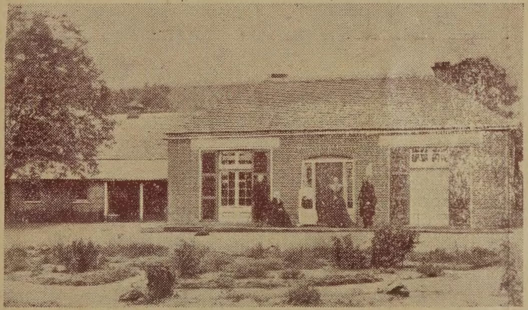
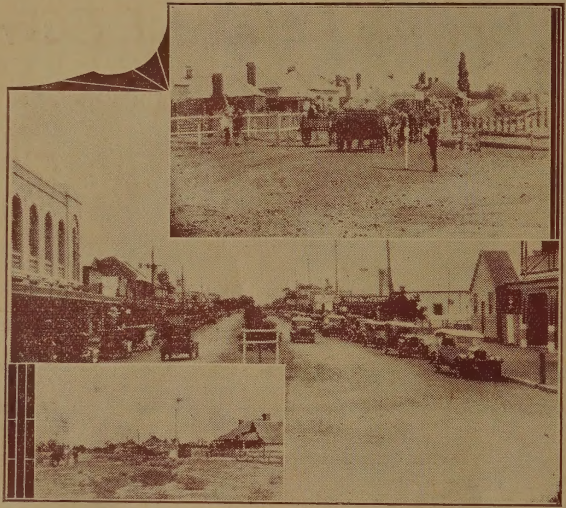


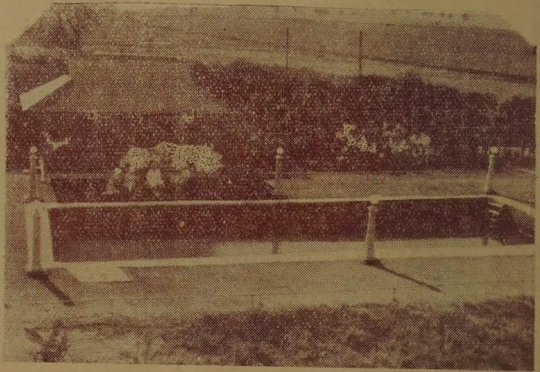
St. Luke's Rectory in 1842, showing Rev. John and Mrs. Morse and their family. Rev. Morse was the first resident Clergyman of the town.



Kelly and Guernsey Streets 60 years ago. Also Kelly Street to-day.

Leonard Eipper's Record Load of Wool—8 tons.

Another view of Scone to-day



The Swimming Pool, Segenhoe.

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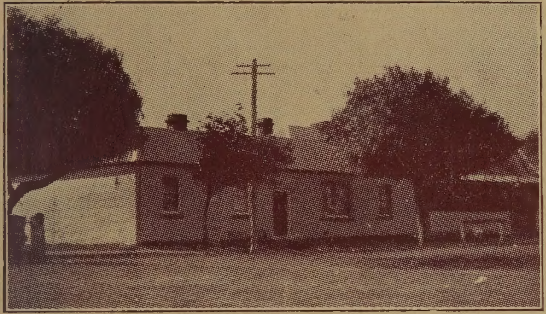

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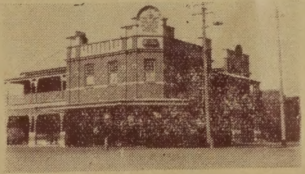

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SCONE FOOTBALL TEAM, 1893

Standing: J. Bromhead, H. Solomons, J. Walker, B. Cooke, G. C. North, F. Murray, S. F. North (capt.), A. E. Berman A. Fleming, G. Munro, J. Sessions.
Sitting: G. Miller, A. Anderson, E. Marks, W. Sessions, R. Hill

FIRST MUNICIPAL COUNCIL STAFF IN 1888

The three central figures are John Farram, Frank French and G. Kinnaird. Seated, Albert H. Ball.

SCONE FOOTBALL CLUB— Winners of the Barrett Shield, three successive years.

Back: A. Ashford (Treasurer), N. Wiebe, F. Wickham, A. F. Smith (Pres.), B. Singleton, H. Schytrumpf, C. Parry (Sec.)
Middle: R. Weathered, V. Dobson, A. Miller, L. Boyd, J. Parry (Mascot), T. Byrnes, F. Weathered, J. Wiebe.
Seated: . B. Hopkins, Bert Saunders.

Brood Mares at "Redbank"

Tom

SCONE C.C. XI.—1932

Winners Campbell's Shield three seasons

Back Row: T. Davidson, W. F. Monie, H. Donnison L. Boyd, L. Aurisch, D. Boyd, H. Barwick, S. J. Hogue

Sitting: A. Ashford, W. Taylor, A. Smith (Pres.), T. Byrnes (captain), W. C. Barnes (Patron), S. Monie, W. Ashford

"The Best Ever"—Robertson Electorate XI. of 1890.

Standing: Alf. Ebsworth, C. W. Rock, H. Phillips, A. Smith, W. P. Lipscomb, Ed. Barwick, B. Aurisch

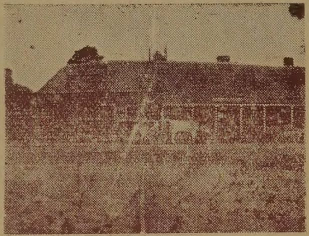
Sitting: Percy White, W. G. Ashford, W. R. Nowland, J. H. Bettington, H. J. H. Scott (captain), P. Wright, C. Devine.

SCONE GRAMMAR SCHOOL, 1892

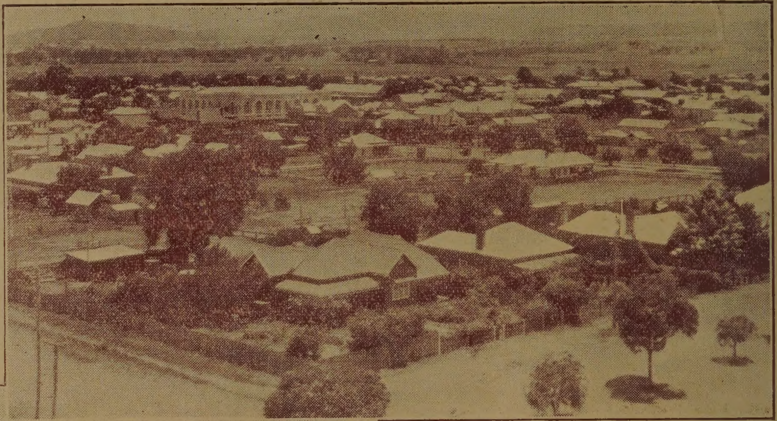
Standing: P. Parbury, G. Hall, N. Parbury, C. Bakewell, F. Bowman, D. Campbell, A. J. Dodd, Bruton Doyle, A. L. Davies, A. Saunders, A. Bakewell, D. Ross.

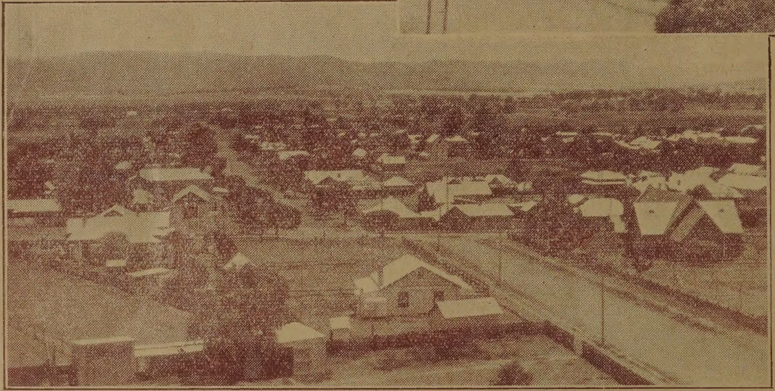
Centre: P. Bowman, R. McKenzie, W. Eldred, W. B. Pulling, A. E. Hall, D. Hargreaves.

Sitting: D. Cameron, A. Solomons, W. Bromhead, J. H. Doyle, H. Solomons, J. R. Davies.

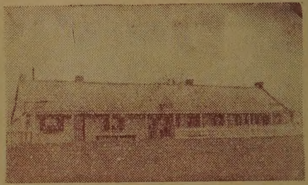


The Willow Tree Hotel, 1837

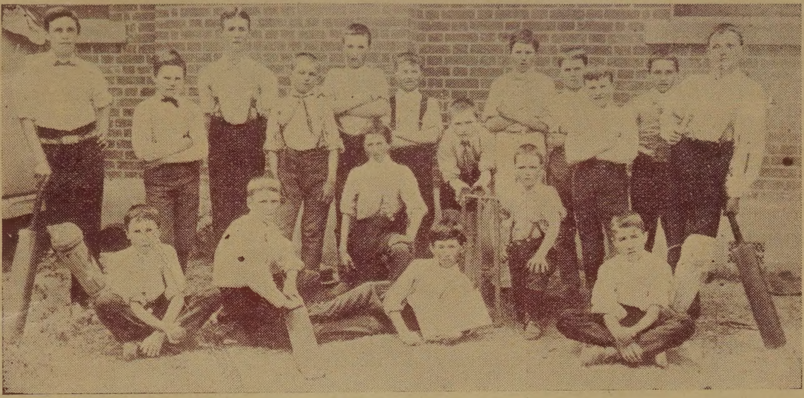




Views of town from tower of St. Mary's R.C. Church.



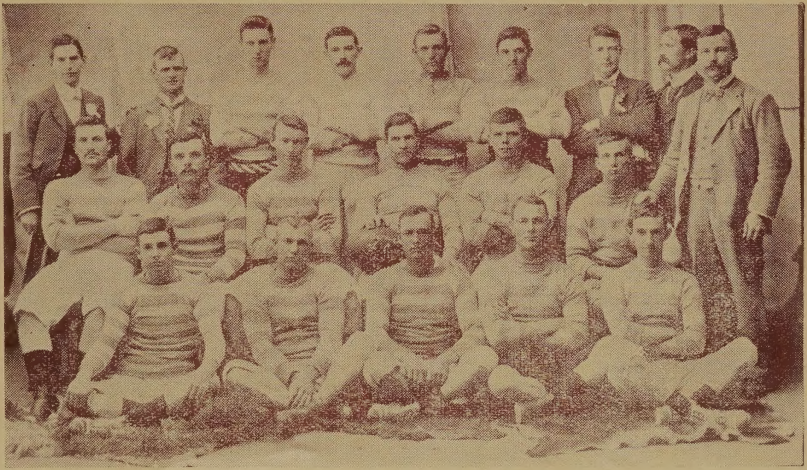
The old Belmore Hotel.



SCONE PUBLIC SCHOOL CRICKET TEAM, 1890

Standing: F. Vick, E. Vick, S. Cameron, A. S. Hayne, A. Newman, A. Windsor, E. J. Sherwood ('keeper), H. R. Welsh, F. Ludington, E. Brown, A. Sladden, Alb. Windsor.

Front Row: G. R. Baker, P. Stevenson, E. Tobin, G. C. Brown, R. Henwood, A. E. Berman.



SCONE FOOTBALL CLUB, 1899.

Standing: J. Fleming, A. Wiseman, T. Phillips, A. Ball, W. T. French, A. Maudsley, A. Bakewell, R. W. Solomons, A. Fleming.

Second Row: D. Judge, W. Clayton, J. Hocking, G. C. North, T. Varley, B. Aurisch.

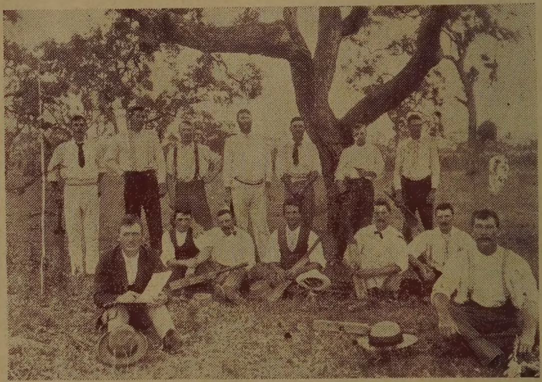
Front Row: E. Gallagher, E. Allan, H. Wiseman, J. Coady, D. Gallagher.

The Belmore Hotel

St. Aubin's Hotel, 90 years ago

Crown and Anchor Hotel, 80 years ago

Wheat-growing at Parkville



BUNNAN C.C. IN THE '80's
Standing: J. Brown, H. Barwick. J. Jennison, P. Lawler, A. A. McDonald, J. A. Bell, C. Moore.
Sitting: J. Bell, F. McDonald, T. Hayward, B. Blayden, C. Lawler, R. Lettice, C. Logan.

Stud Shorthorn Cows and Calves at Turanville

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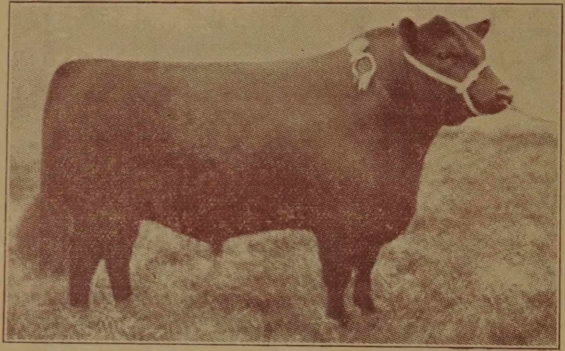
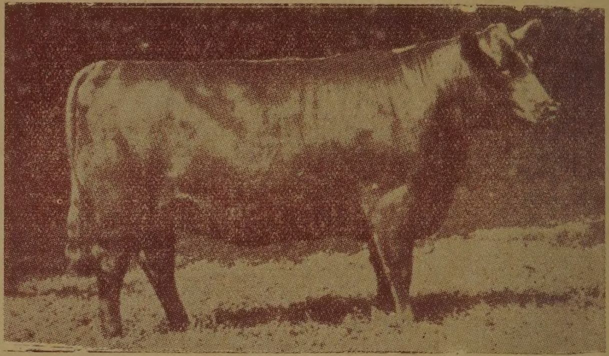
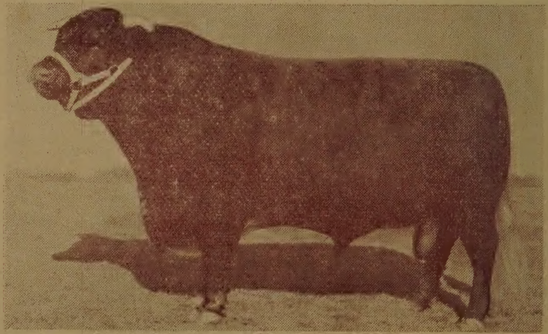


Gallowhill Beauty (imp.), Champion Aberdeen-Angus Bull, at Belltrees



Mead of Doonholm (imp.), Champion Aberdeen-Angus Heifer, just arrived at Belltrees Stud.

Basildon Rosecrucian (imp.)



Calrossie Flatterer (imp.)

Champion Shorthorn Bulls at Turanville

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